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TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD OF EVALUATING ULTRASONIC SIGNALS OF A FLAW IN A WORKPIECE

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The Patent Term Adjustment to date is 152 day(s). If the issue fee is paid on the date that is three months after the mailing date of this notice and the patent issues on the Tuesday before the date that is 28 weeks (six and a half months) after the mailing date of this notice, the Patent Term Adjustment will be 152 day(s).

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The MAILING DATE of this communication appear All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIPLY of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 1.   This communication is responsive to the amendemnt of 100 to 10	(OR REMAINS) CLOSED in or other appropriate commu IGHTS. This application is s and MPEP 1308.	this application. If not included inication will be mailed in due course. <b>THIS</b>				
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### **REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The prior art of record taken alone and in combination does not disclose "a method of displaying echo signals obtained with the help of an ultrasonic test apparatus for non-destructive testing of a test body, the ultrasonic test apparatus having an angle beam probe, an emitter, which is connected to the angle beam probe and which generates initial pulses which it delivers to the angle beam probe, a receiver, which is connected to the angle beam probe and which receives echo signals, and a monitor with a display, which is connected to the receiver to display the echo signals received in a cross-sectional image in such a manner that at least one front face and one back wall of the test body can be seen, the method comprising: displaying the first and the second measurement images in one single evaluation image in such a manner that the first and the second flaw signals can be seen, superposed; and showing in the first and the second measurement images and the evaluation image a sound path that is divided into legs, the different legs being shown differently each and the first and second flaw signals being respectively shown according to the sound path or the leg or both from which they originate" as recited in claim 15.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Hezron L. Williams can be reached on (571) 272-2208. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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/Jacques M SAINT SURIN/ Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2856